## **51572 to 51588**—Continued.

51584. PENNISETUM SCHIMPERI A. Rich. Poaceæ.

Grass.

"(No. 1180. Nakuru, Naivasha Province. July 10, 1920.) A coarse foxtail grass, not especially good. It stands up above the more palatable grasses."

A densely cespitose grass, found mostly in dry places; the stems become more than 4 feet tall. The natives consider this a very good forage for stock in general. The leaves yield a fiber which is used for making very stout cord. (Adapted from Chiovenda, Etiopia, Osservazione Botaniche, p. 66.)

51585. Senecio sp. Asteraceæ.

"(No. 1196. Kisumu, Nyanza Province. July 11, 1920.) An orange-flowered rayless composite."

51586. TECOMA STANS (L.) Juss. Bignoniaceæ. Yellow tecoma.

"(No. 1183. Kisumu, Nyanza Province. July 11, 1920.) One of the most prominent street trees in East Africa."

A shrub or tree, cultivated in tropical regions for the sake of the terminal panicles of large yellow flowers and the large compound leaves. For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 49873.

51587. OCIMUM SUAVE Willd. Menthaceæ.

"(No. 1193. Kisumu, Nyanza Province. July 11, 1920.) A small, white-flowered mint."

51588. (Undetermined.)

"(No. 1191. Kisumu, Nyanza Province. July 11, 1920.) A small yellow fruit which is very sweet; it may not be edible."

## 51589 to 51593. Saccharum officinarum L. Poaceæ.

Sugar cane.

From Sydney, New South Wales. Seeds presented by Edw. W. Knox, general manager, Colonial Sugar-Refining Co. Received October 21, 1920. Quotèd notes by Mr. Knox.

"Seed collected by our manager of Macknade Mill, Herbert River, Queensland."

51589. "Badila. A New Guinea variety of high yield and sweetness. stout growth, and sound constitution."

51590. "H. Q. 426. A seedling grown by us in Queensland, of high yield and sweetness, medium thickness, early maturing, medium constitution."

51591. "1900 seedling. A Mauritius seedling of high yield and sweetness, medium thickness, early maturing, medium constitution."

51592. "7 R. 428. A seedling grown by us in Fiji; high yield, medium quality; suits medium to poor soils."

51593. "Goru. A New Guinea variety, of high yield, fair sweetness, and medium constitution."

## 51594 to 51597.

From British East Africa. Seeds collected by Dr. H. L. Shantz, Agricultural Explorer of the United States Department of Agriculture. Received October 25, 1920. Quoted notes by Doctor Shantz.

51594. HARPACHNE SCHIMPERI Hochst. Poaceæ. (Eragrostis schimperi Benth.)

"(No. 1210. Kisumu, Nyanza Province. July 11, 1920.) A small grass, very abundant; characteristic of the desert country."

A stout annual grass, native to Abyssinia, with dense cespitose stems up to a foot high and narrow leaves up to 6 inches in length. The lax, secund spikes are from 1 to 3 inches long. (Adapted from Hooker, Icones Plantarum, vol. 4, pl. 1371.)

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